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Gas Industry Standards Board
Request for Initiation of a GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions
or
Enhancement of an Existing GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions
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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:
   Transco proposes that the data element Service Requester Contract be added to the data
   dictionary for the Statement of Account (Standard 3.4.3) dataset with usage code Mutually Agreeable
   (MA). This data element is currently sent by Transco to identify the contract under which charges
   on the Statement of Account were incurred. Our ability to use this data element in EDI exchanges
   is necessary to maintain our current level of service.

   The data element Service Requester Contract is currently a mandatory data element on the
   Invoice (Standard 3.4.1) dataset. There should be a means of sending this data element on the
   Statement of Account as a link to the Invoice. Currently, the only link between the Statement of
   Account and the Invoice is the Invoice Identifier; the Service Requester Contract is more
   recognizable than the Invoice Identifier, and therefore serves as a better link between the datasets.
4. Use of Proposed Standard or Enhancement (include how the standard will be used, documentation on the description of the proposed standard, any existing documentation of the proposed standard, and required communication protocols):

   The sender of the Statement of Account should use the Service Requester Contract field to identify the contract associated with amounts due on the Statement of Account, when a Service Requester Contract is applicable.

5. Description of Tangible or Intangible Benefits to the Use of the Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

   When this proposed modification is incorporated into the Standard, Transco and other pipelines who use similar accounting practices will be able to identify the Service Requester Contract associated with the amounts due that are presented on the Statement of Account in conformance with current business practices.

6. Estimate of Incremental Specific Costs to Implement Proposed Standard or Enhancement: None.

7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations: None.

8. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is Not Tested Yet, List trading Partners Willing to Test Standards or Enhancement (Corporations and contacts): Unknown.

9. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is In Use, Who are the Trading Partners: Unknown.

10. Attachments (such as: further detailed proposals, transaction data descriptions, information flows, implementation guides, business process descriptions, examples of ASC ANSI X12 mapped transactions: None.